BUCKINGHAM IN FIRST MESSAGE TO COMMON COUNCIL DECLARES THAT PLEDGES TO PEOPLE MUST BE KEPT

Demands Enforcement of Tax Laws and the Just Taxation of All Property for the Relief of Homes and Lands Which, He Says, Bear More Than Five-Eighths of All Municipal Charges.

Harbor Grab Denounced-Death Traps at Stratford Avenue Must Be Prevented, If Possible—Recommends Purchase of Public Wharfage, Thorough Investigation of Electric Light Company, Reform of Trolley Car Service, and Progress and Economy in Administration-State Tax Will Impose Additional Burden of One Mill Upon Next Budget

Mayor Buckingham's message to the against any particular set of men or storing the streets to as good conditionation of his purpose to bring about session session of his purpose to bring about session of his purpose to bring about session session of his purpose to bring about session sessi on of his purpose to bring about

the message is the Mayor's insistance upon the fact that it is the duty of parties to bring measures to the atention of the people, and the duty of the elected officers to execute those essures to which the electors have

The largest portion of the message ch is brief, is devoted to tax equalation, to which the voters gave their phatic approval in the majorof 3,043 which the Mayor received. In substance the Mayor says that the law requiring equitable taxation of ogerty must be enforced against all ns and all property equitably, with the purpose of removing some of the tax burden which now unjustly rests upon homes.

His references to the harbor grab and car barn surrender are colored with evident fear that in the face of the conditions relations contract made with the railroad company the city has no remedy. But I would earnestly recommend that

and the city is more comprehensive than that of any executive who has preceded him in office. The message comphasizes the fact that the relation of a public service to the community is vastly different from that of a private enterprise, and lays stress upon the duty of mongpolies to furnish their commodities at such a price as will wild no more than a fair return upon to the commodities at such a price as will wild no more than a fair return upon to the common Council and the several boards.

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It is perhaps not out of place at this time to refer to the lack of interest that is taken in public hearings before this body in matters of general interest. Those in favor of a project or improvement, as a rule, appear for the same, but those in opposition frequently are not present. For this reason the members of the progression of the city and of politics, yet the officers who are elected are the servants of all the people. In performing the functions entrusted to them their chief attention must be given to the needs of the entire city as it comes under their care and supervision.

Improvements must not be made with a view of building political capital for either party, but solely for the city a desiryield no more than a fair return upon elr investment.

The message follows:

To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Bridgeport, Gentlemen:

Gentlemen:

This evening we enter upon the performance of our labors as members of the Common Council, to which body is entrusted the legislative functions of the municipal government and the privilege of directly repre-

and the privilege of directly repre-senting the people.

During our terms of office new tasks and responsibilities are likely to be imposed upon us, the accomplish-ment of which will require our ear-nest co-operation. We should keep before us in the performance of our work but one aim, "that we shall ratificulty and impartially execute the duties of our offices according to our best skill and judgment" in such a way as to promote the best interests of the city.

The Charter imposes upon the mayor the duty of recommending from time to time such measures connected with the security, health, cleanliness and ornament of the city, or with the improvement of its government and finances, as he shall deem expedient.

Busiuss Principles.

I feel it my duty at this time to call your attention to the existence of certain conditions and to recommend for your consideration measures which I believe to be conducive to the welfare the public moneys, at the same time I would earnestly urge upon you, in believe to be conducive to the welfare of the city. These recommendations are quite aside from the general atement of the situation, state and addition of the City which the mayor is required to communicate to the Common Council on the first Monday of June in each year.

of June in each year.

It should be our purpose to apply business principles to the affairs of t the municipality, to furnish a thor-ough and business- like management in every department, and especially to establish our finances on a sound basis. The administration should be orogressive and economical. The fairs is often misconstrued to mean that needed public improvements are to be overlooked or postponed, but to be overlooked or postponed, but this is not true economy. I believe in the economical conduct of the busi-ness of the City, but in such economy as will not delay progress nor post-pone necessary improvements. The City should receive the great-est possible return for the amount of money expended without any diminu-

est possible return for the amount of money expended without any diminu-tion of the quality of the services renfered or of the supplies furnished. Equalization of Taxes.

An important problem confronting unicipality relates to the equali-

municipality relates to the equalization of taxes. Since our city was incorporated great enterprises have grown up which have contributed in a large degree to our prosperity and to our standing as one of the foremost cities of the country.

The values of some forms of property have increased with great rapidity. Becauses of this increase, some such properities are not valued according to the meaning of the law, while other forms of property, more especially dwellings, have been listed at substantially full value. This is, of at substantially full value. This is, of course, unjust as well as unlawful. The law knows but one rule: that all property shall be assessed at its true market value. The law is not aimed at any particular class of citizens, nor at any special kind of property. at any particular class of citizens, nor at any special kind of property. It applies to all citizens and to all property not exempt from taxation, which so subject to be levied upon for municipal purposes. This law must not and, we believe, will not be invoked

The question of tax equalization is

Most of the deficiencies in the City of Bridgeport at the end of the fiscal year, will be found, upon investigation, to have had their origin in its inadequate income. This inaid-quacy of the public funds to meet the demands for necessary improvements cannot be remedied while our homes, together with the lands further area of the present administration of the declaration of principles upon which the present administration of the declaration of principles upon which the present administration was elected which again.

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Call On Department Heads.
Section 36 of the Charter says:

The Board of Police Commissioners,
Fire Commissioners, Park Commissioners, Charities and Apportionment, respectively, shall elect from their own members a president who shall be known as the head of such department. Such heads of departments shall have seats in the Comment Council, and they shall be entitled to take part in the proceedings. titled to take part in the proceedings and deliberations of the Common Council on all questions relating to or affecting their respective departments; but they shall not have the

right to vote thereon." This privilege certainly has not been taken advantage of by the presidents of the above departments in the past, except on fare occasions, and the consequence has been that matters have come up for consideration affecting these departments and have

company the city has no remedy. But

beculiar conditions relating to the
crossing at Stratford avenue apparently cause him to hope that relief can be
obtained from the tracks proposed to
be hid across the sidewalks there.

The Mayor's grasp of the relations
between public service corporations
and the city is more comprehensive

The would earnestly recommend that
whenever any matter affecting a department is before the Common Council, the head of such department will
feel it his duty to be present.

I am confident that if such a policy
is pursued it will produce a more effective co-operation and a closer and
more satisfactory relationship hetween the Common Council and the
several boards.

body are often upable to obtain a full expression of opinion in reference to the matter before them. I trust that during the coming year your honorable body may be able to devise some means to promote a full expression of

able body may be able to devise some means to promote a full expression of opinion at all public hearings.

The investigation of the Electric Light company should be pursued with a view to ascertaining the actual investment, of the company and its cost of producing electricity, for the purpose of obtaining a reduction in price both for private and public consumers. Only with an adequate knowledge can it be determined whether the charges now made for this commodity are just charges. A public service monopoly unlike an ordinary private business, is not permitted by law to charge what price it pleases for its product, but may charge only such a price as will yield a fair profit on its actual investment. While the rights of all such corporations should be respected, yet they in turn must fully perform all their duties to the city and its citizens.

Purchase Dock Room.

I recommend that the Committee on Harbor Improvements be empowered to take up negotiations with the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company relative to the purchase of more dock front adjacent to the present holdings of the City at the

I would earnestly urge upon you, in so far as your duties involve the expenditure of the city's revenue, the necessity to economize as far as possible, because during the coming year the city will be called upon to meet several extraordinary demands upon its treasury. The most conspicuous of these demands is the State Tax imposed upon us by the last General Assembly. This alone will add substantially one mill to the tax rate. It should be borne in mind that this extraordinary drain on our revenues is due to the condition of the State's finances, and is a matter over which we have absolutely no control and from which the city derives no direct benefit. While it may not be possible to prevent an increase of the tax rate, yet, it is certain, that on account rate, yet, it is certain, that on account of this additional expense the rate will rise beyond reasonable bounds unless we and all the departments of the city government exercise the strictest frugality and wisdom in ex-

Trolley Service Poor.
Our citizens are justly complaining of the trolley service furnished by the company which enjoys the street raffcompany which enjoys the street railway franchise in our city. Complaint is especially made of the small unstable, unclean, and unsightly cars which are run with flat wheels and are irregular and uncertain in operation. Complaint is also made of overcrowded cars, especially during rush hours, when our citizens are going to or returning from work. It will be the duty of the Common Council to find means to remedy these conditions, either by conference with the company or otherwise. I recommend that steps to this end be immediately taken.

taken.

It is the duty of the Connecticut company to keep in repair the streets between its rails and two feet on either side. This duty is almost entirely neglected and it will be the policy of this administration to require a prompt and full performance in this respect. All corporations and individuals making excavations in the streets should be compelled to strictly carry out the law in reference to re-

the reforms promised to the people in the Democratic platform, and in his speech accepting the nomination for Mayor.

Perhaps the most unusual feature of the most unusual feature of the deficiency of the defici Improve the Streets. our streets may be consistently and inteligently maintained and improved,

It o reflect credit on the city.

I desire to call your attention to that portion of the declaration of principles upon which the present administration was elected, which says:

We denounce the "harbor grab" and the "car barn surrender," by which in the one case a large portion of the harbor was yielded to the New Haven

Pullrand company and in the other. homes, together with homes at large portion of the warplow was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company and in the other case permission was given to the scrupulously kept was privately to the one case a large portion of the warplow was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company and in the other case permission was given to the scrupulously kept was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company and in the other case permission was given to the scrupulously kept was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company and in the other case permission was given to the scrupulously kept was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company to the case a large portion of the was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company to the case permission was given to the scrupulously kept was yielded to the New Haven Railroad company and in the other case permission was given

parties submit issues for the approval of the people. Such are merely expressions of party opinion and are only binding upon the officers of the City after they have been approved by popular vote. It is possible that no remedy now exists which the City may seek. But we may at least use our best efforts to protect the harbor from further encroachment and may do much to cause its improvement, indo much to cause its improvement, in creasing its use to commerce and man ufactures.

Trolley Tracks.

It is my judgment that every honorable effort should be made to prevent the laying of trolley tracks acros the sidewalk in Stratford avenue, near the sidewalk in Stratford avenue, near the westerly approach of the Stratford avenue bridge. It is my purpose to request the City Afforney to look into the situation and if a remedy can be found under which the City can es-cape the consequences of the disas-trous arrangement entered into be-tween the city and the railroad com-pany, prior to the election of this ad-ministration. I believe it should be ration. I believe it should be

All For Good of City.

In conclusion I desire to say that while the selection of municipal officers is necessarily, under our system, a matter of party and of politics, yet the officers who are elected are the ser-

with a view of building political capi-tal for either party, but solely for the purpose of making the city a desir-able place of residence, and a com-munity which will attract capital and progressive and enterprising manufac-turers and skilled workers from all parts of our country. This should be

As we are successful or unsuccesful in attaining this ideal, we shall be judged by the people who have entrusted us with the power.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of December, 1909. E. T. BUCKINGHAM, Mayor of Bridgeport, Conn.

VERBAL AND FLORAL **BOUQUETS FILL BIG** COUNCIL CHAMBER

FINE COMPLIMENTS PAID NEW ALDERMEN BY RESPECTIVE

Following are the gifts and the donors where their names appeared: Mayor Buckingham, silver lined, copper lemonade bowl, cups and salver. Wowompon tribe, I. O. R. M., made by Dr. Montgomery; silver vase filled with flowers. Sigmund Hirschberg and other friends; Cut glass fern dish, Mr. and Mrs. John Youngs; Silver loving cup, Italian American Alliance; Stone tomahawk, A.d. H. H. Jackson for Smoke Much Bill and Big Chief Wampun (Real names unknown); gentleman's travelling set, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Budau. Alderman Henry J. Clampett, dia-mond ring, presented by John Rooney on behalf of friends in the Sixth dis-

Alderman James P. O'Nelli, hand-Aiderman James P. O'Neill, hand-some quartered oak desk, presented by Vincent Whitney for fellow em-ployes of the Ashcroft Mfg. Co., gold chain and charm by John H. Cassi-dy, friends of 11th district. City Clerk Boucher, gold watch, chain and nights of Columbus charm, Attorney Henry E. Shansen Attorney Henry E. Shannon on behalf of personal friends.

Assistant City Clerk Gill, gold watch, with diamond studded Knights of Columbus fob, gold headed cane, and gold mounted fountain pen, presented by Attorney C. S. Canfield on behalf

of friends, diamond stud, friends in the Ninth district. Alderman John J. Finlan, leather upholstered weathered ack Morris chair, presented by Archibald McNeil, Jr., on behalf of friends in the Seventh

Large horseshoe from Siyth district

Democracy.

Basket, Edward Madigan.

Basket, white roses card inscribed:

We know you will make good."

Bouquet, Sigma Epsilon Society of Olivet church.
Alderman Bullard, large bouquet from friends in the Fifth district.
City Clerk Boucher, floral replica sloop "Julla A." in remembrance of his overlayed days from friends in the

his oystering days from friends in the T. L. & B. Society.
Alderman Meyer, bouquet from friends in Eleventh district.
Alderman Stewart, large basket from friends in Clan Campbell. Order of Scottisth Clans. three bouquets and ottish Clans; three bouquets and

asket.
Alderman Clampett, basket of chry-anthemums and roses from friends in the Sixth district.

Aiderman Paddock, floral horseshoe four feet high, inscribed with "Good Luck." from Twelfth district Demo-

Paddock, McM Fletcher, Meyer.

Fletcher, Meyer,
Lamps—Aldermen Mahoney, Cassidy, Finlan, Jackson, O'Connell,
Claims—Aldermen Near, Lavery, D.
O'Nell, Gould, Stewart,
Ordinances—Aldermen Finlan, Lavery, Brady, Gould, O'Connell,
Miscellaneous Matters—Aldermen
Conlin, Paddock, Mahoney, Jackson,

Fire Department—Aldermen J. O'Neil, Clampett, Mahoney, Wilder, Streets and Sidewalks-Aldermen McMurray, Clampett, Conlin, Meyer

Jackson.

Sewers—Aldermen Clampett, Cassidy, J. O'Nell, Fletcher, Primrose, Printing—Aldermen Brady, Near, D. O'Neil, Zink, Feyrer.

Rules—Aldermen Cassidy, Mahoney, J. O'Neil, Bertilson, Gould.

Memorial Day—Aldermen Brady, McMurray, Finlan, Wilder, Feyrer, Unfinished Business—Aldermen D. O'Neil, Near, Brady, Bertilson, Zink, Respectfully submitted this Sixth Day of December, 1909.

E. T. BUCKINGHAM,

Mayor.

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The committee on finance, the only committee elected by the Common Council, is as follows: Aldermen Dennis E. O'Neil, Cassidy, Conlin, Fletcher, and Bullard.

GETTING READY TO DEMAND REAL TROLLEY SERVICE

MAYOR PROMPTLY NAMES COM-

Determined to leave no stone unturned in its effort to secure a betterment
of trolley service, the new administration set out last night with the appointment of a committee with instructions to wait upon Charles S. Melien, the head of the combined transportation interests of the New York,
New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co.
The appointment followed within a few
minutes the Mayor's arraignment in minutes the Mayor's arraignment in his message of the trolley company for its inadequate service. Alderman H. H. Jackson presented the resolution, which was promptly seconded and unanimously adopted. The resolution follows:

"Resolved, That a committee of five which will consist of four members of this Aldermanic Board and the May-or as chairman, shall be appointed to confer with Charles H. Chapman, loconfer with Charles H. Chapman, local superintendent of the Connecticut
Co., and Mr. Charles S. Mellen, president of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.
Co., which controls the Connecticut
Company, with a view to securing adequate trolley service for the city of
Bridgeport and adjacent territory."

Mayor Buckingham appointed Alderman Jackson, McMurray, Clampett
and Bullard.

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Alderman McMurray referring to the portion of the resolution having to do with local Superintendent Chapman said his experience on similar committees showed him that Mr. Chapman could only refer the city higher up, to Vice President Townley. Alderman Jackson declared his aim was to hearing at the top and then come down and Bullard. gin at the top and then come down, if necessary, rather than working up from one subordinate to another. Following so closely upon the vigor-ous condemnation of the service by Mayor Buckingham, the resolution was received with applause, and was talked of more tren any other measure adopted by the council, as the hundreds of spectators gathered after the meeting adjourned to discuss the prospects of the new administration which opened so suspiciously

New Era In Municipal

(Continued from Page 1.) The meeting was rapped to order with the silver mounted gavel present-ed to the mayor recently by the committee which arragned for the meet-ing of the Great Sun Council of the Improved Order of Red Men. Alderman Dennic E. O'Neill of the Alderman Dennic E. O'Neill of the Sixth district who is serving his sixth year in the council was elected to the presidency of the council. The friends of the president made an effort to have the new president make a speech but he modestly evaded the speech-making and did his talking in connection with legislation.

Alderman W. E. Primrose was the Republican candidate and received the full party vote the Mayor breaking the tie in favor of the Democratic nominee.

derman Lavery, two bouquets from friends and replies of football goal with a football of white carnations going over the crossbar, inserbball days, latter from friends in the T. I. & B. Society.

Alderman Near; large floral basket from Democrats of the Fourth.

Alderman J. P. O'Neill, basket of roses from Bridgeport Minstrels, basket from Democrats of the Fourth.

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Alderman Denis E. O'Neil, basket of roses and chrysanthemums from constituents in the Sixth district.

Alderman John H. McMurray, bounget from "An Admirer."

Alderman John H. Cassidy, standing basket of carnations from St. Joseph's T. L. & B. Society, also bouquet or carnations.

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token of their esteem I desire to present to you this gold watch and chain which is from your personal friends."

In response Mr. Boucher said that it was peasing to hear such kind'y words but he wished to correct the allusion to his industry as he felt that he owed his success to his friends. He concluded by saying there were no words in the English language whereby he could express his feelings.

Attorney C. S. Canneld was then given the privilege of the floor to address Assistant Clerk Gill. "Nature has been very generous to you." said he, "She has endowed you with those he, "She has endowed you with those in the statute of the statute."

Appraisal of Benefits and Damages in the usual course.

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your case is seen the fallacy e saying that public service of of the saying that public service of the right sort is not sopreciated. In recognition of your unfailing courtesy and desire to oblige, and accommodate it gives me great pleasure in behalf of many personal friends to present these testimonials of their recard and esteem for you. A gold watch, which will not only record the flight of time, —but for that matter you will never grow old—but which we trust will be a constant reminder of those pleasant times; a charm, indicative of your buoyant temperament; a pen which buoyant temperament; a pen which history tells us is mightler than the sword; this cane, representing your friends upon whom you can rely for unswerving loyalty and support and also this basket of flowers, the fragrance of which may pass away, unlike the sentiments that actuate its presentation."

MITTEE TO WAIT UPON PRESIDENT MELLEN—GOING TO BEGIN AT THE TOP.

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years progressed.

Thomas F. Cleary, the Democratic candidate for page from the 11th district was elected over John J. Hines the Republican page for the past year. Both received 12 votes and the mayor broke the tie for Mr. Cleary.

Alderman Zink of the Twelfth district presented a resolution which was adopted calling upon the Ordinance committee to call a public hearing upon the question of dividing the 1°th

voting district into two districts. The resolution was adopted.

Upon a resolution offered by Alderman P. H. Brady the director of pubman P. H. Brady the director of public works was given power to act in the matter of giving Carl Jablonski the right to move a small building 10 x 20 feet from Broad and Atlantic streets to 245 Wheeler avenue.

Alderman Garry Paddock introduced a resolution to have Freeman street graded its entire length.

Honds for various amounts were approximately street are small street.

Bonds for various amounts were approved by the Finance committee for city officials as follows: John M. Don. neily, collector, \$40.000; Thomas F. Reilly assistant collector, \$20.000! City Clerk Stephen F. Boucher, \$1.000; City Sheriffs Falafus, Beckl, Cunningham, and Brown, \$5,000 each; Town Clerk Thomas \$5,000.

Thomas \$5,000.

Reports of the Board of Appraisal on the Worth street sewer, Norman street sewer, Charles street sewer. Wade street sewer and Hallett street sewer made their initial apparance, and were laid over under the rules.

The special committee an investigation of the street sewer and the rules. The special committee on layout of Congress street, from Main street to Housalonic avenue recommended a scheme whereby the street will be widened about 12 feet by taking off a strip of property on the north side of the thoroughfare passing themselved. opened so auspleiously.

COLDS CAUSE HEADACHE

LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine, the world wide Cold and Grip remedy removes cause. Call for full name. Look for signature E. W. GROVE. 25c.

a strip of property on the north side of the thoroughfare passing through the thoroughfare passing through the property of Abby McCarthy and William M. Terry. The widening will totally obliterate the building on the Main street corner now occupied by Board the report of the Committee appointed by the last Board of Aldermen relative to the conditions of the

Government Ushered In THOROUGH PROBE OF ELECTRIC LIGHTING TO BEGIN VERY SOON

Mayor Buckingham Not Satisfied With Report of Committee.

New Investigating Tody to be Organized to Go to the Bottom of Conditions of Lighting With View to Securing Cheaper Rates For Both City and Private Consumers.

the electric light investigation just completed has not been sufficiently searching, Mayor Buckingham will other investigation committee, in keep-

within a few days institute steps to-ward securing the appointment of an-other investigation committee in keep-ditions for production were substanother investigation committee, in keeping with the declaration in his message to the Common Council last evening. It is proposed to go to the bottom of the electric light situation in
this city.

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The committee to investigate the United Illuminating Co., which holds the local franchise, was discharged with thanks last evening, when the council had accepted its report and referred it to the Miscellaneous committee to of the Common Council. In content was referred to the same committee to of the Common Council. In content was referred to the same committee to of the Common Council. In content was referred to the same committee to substitute a new contract. This came from Alderman Bullard, and it provided that immediate steps be taken to substitute a new contract with the United Illuminating Co. for the present instrument, under the terms offered by the United Illuminating.

The special committee discharged at a completion of its work last evening comprises Attorney David S. Day, comprises Attorney David S. Day, comprises Attorney David S. Day, and the proposed system has led them to believe it satisfactory. They state the price is considerably lower than the prevailing average in New England and the jowest in Connecticut for all night service with electricity produced from steam driven generators.

The report of the special investigation of the city with service for street lamps were different to in 1906 for the supplying of the city with service for street lamps with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp, with the provision of a reduction to \$78.75 per year per lamp.

dollars was ordered paid to the state in keeping with the statute. Town Clerk Thomas reported issuing 29 re-sidents' lic uses and one non-resident license to hunters and \$109 of the to-tal of \$134 was ordered paid to the

typen the recommendation of the street committee a hearing was ordered on the petition of P. P. Anderson to extend six feet over the Gregory street building line, between Lafayette and Broad street for a distance of 50 feet.

Latayette and Broad street for a distance of 50 feet.

Upon the same committee's recommendation a hearing was ordered on the petition of the N. Y. N. H. & H. railroad company for the construction of a double track extension on Barnum avenue from present terminus near Mill Hill avenue easterly to the City line at Bruce's Brook. This will come up at the next meeting of the council.

At the instance of the board of At the instance of the board of health, the council ordered Carrie Bouden of Springfield, Mass, to fill or drain within 60 days a pool of stagnant water on land in Ash street. One Thousand dollars was appropriated to be disbursed among the outside poor for December, this figure being named by the Charitter Board.

On recommendation of Director Bilt it was voted to assess property owners for street sprinkling during the season of 1909 at the usual rate owners for street sprinkling during the season of 1909 at the usual rate of 4 cents per front foot on trolley lines and six cents per front foot on

other street. The Paving and Sewer Commission reported the laying of brick pavement and the cost of same as follows: Golden Hill street, Main street easterly to railroad property \$4,245.38; Fairfield avenue, Main to Water street \$2.459.91; Main street, Atlantic street souther-ly to Sea wall \$8,040.74. The Board of Appraisal was instructed to pro-

ceed in the usual manner in the levy-ing of benefits and damages.

Property owners in Boston avenue from Glenwood to Noble avenues will be entified on recommendation of the city engineer, to attend a public hear-About forty property owners made complaint that the east side of How-ard avenue from Railroad avenue and Spruce street has no sidewalk, curb or

gutter. The committee on Streets one Sidewalks took the matter under con The committee on Streets ond sideration.

Jacob Flamm who conducts a millinery store at 1264 Main street sought remuneration for alleged negligence of

city employes resulting in the flooding of his cellar by the bursting of a sewer. He wants \$325.

In addition to the regular raft of petitions for abatements of assessments, construction of sewers, etc., the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., pre-sented its petition for permission to extend its Barnum avenue line from Mill Hill avenue to the town line, Bruce's Brook. This is in line with its plan to build the trolley extension nto Stratford.

C. L. U. PROTESTS BOSTWICK SCHOOL

(Continued from Page 1.) To His Honor, the Mayor, and Board of Aldermen of the City of Bridge-

Central Labor Union Bridgeport, being a body of men or-ganized for the protection and bet-terment of the working classes of our as the same can be put in proper condition for school purposes.

We ask your Honorable Body to request the Board of Education to have the Bostwick Avenue School closed and kept closed until properly repaired as per the original plans and specifications called for on the building, and we believe the safety of our children demand immediate attention.

tention.

The following is the report of the Committee adopted Monday evening, October 18th, 1907, by a unanimous vote of your Honorable Body:

The Committee appointed to investigate the conditions of the new Eostwick Avenue Schoolhouse, consisting of Aldermen McMurray, Bertilson, Griffin, Finlan and Burnes, reported as follows:

That they have made a very thorough investigation of the charges and of the true condition of said Bostwick Avenue School and find that the charges brought by the officers

Bostwick Avenue School and indicate the charges brought by the office of Bricklayers and Plasterers' Union, No. 2, and Stone Masons' Union, No. 4, are well founded, that the conditions of the i, are well founded, that the condition of said building does not campare favorably with the building constructed at the same time by other builders, and for other corporations and private owners. The Committee have visited the building in question and find that even to an eye untrained in building mechanics, that the omissions and variances from regular building codes are easily noticeable. The report of the engineer who took masurements of the building on the request of the petitioners is hereto appended and made part of this report.

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The Committee further find that a partition where brick was called for in the plans, specifications and contract has been substituted by a wooden partition which, in the opinion of the Committee, is a very flagrant violation, as this partition is directly over the boiler room and no fireproof construction intervenes between the furnaces and the aforesaid partition. Your Committee find that the front has been recently treated to a tion. Your Committee and the front has been recently treated to a coating of oil, which, however, does not materially improve the appearance the building.

ance of the building.

Your Committee deem it their duty
to condemn the work on said building as being unsafe, from a fire point
of view and entirely unsatisfactory
from a mechanical point.

(Signature) (Signed

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JAMES A. COATES,
NICHOLAS F. BYRNES,
JOHN J. O'NEILL,
Committee Central Labor Union.

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